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Claims 1-2: (Canceled)

- 3. (Previously presented) A process according to claim 26 wherein said preparation is carried out in the presence of a Bronstead acid or a Lewis acid.
- 4. (Original) A process according to claim 3 wherein the acid is selected from the group consisting of camphor sulfonic acid, para-toluene sulfonic acid, and BF₃•Et₂O.
- 5. (Original) A process according to claim 4 wherein camphor sulfonic acid is used as a catalyst and dichloroethane is used as a solvent.

Claims 6-7: (Cancelled)

8. (Previously presented) A process according to claim 26 wherein a furanose of the formula

is reacted with DMB-protected K252c to give two products of the formulae

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- 9. (Previously presented) A product prepared according to the process of claim 26.
- 10. (Previously presented) A product prepared according to the process of claim 3.
- 11. (Previously presented) A process according to claim 26 wherein the furanosylated indolocarbazole prepared is K252a.
- 12. (Canceled).
- 13. (Previously presented) A process according to claim 26 wherein the indolocarbazole is prepared by reacting a diazo compound having the ring structure

$$0 \xrightarrow{R}_{R} R$$

with a biindole having the ring structure

- 14. (Original) A process according to claim 13 wherein the reaction is carried out in the presence of a transition metal catalyst in a solvent capable of solvating the reactants.
- 15. (Original) A process according to claim 13 wherein the coupling reaction is carried out in the presence of a Rh₂(OAc)₄ catalyst.

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16. (Previously presented) A process according to claim 13 wherein the diazo compound is a diazolactam and the biindole is a 2,2'-biindole.

Claims 17-18: (Canceled)

- 19. (Previously presented) A process according to claim 27 wherein the furanosylated indolocarbazole prepared is K252a.
- 20. (Previously presented) A product produced by the process of claim 27.
- 21. (Previously presented) A process according to claim 26 wherein the indolocarbazole is reacted with an acetal under conditions that promote acetal exchange.
- 22. (Previously presented) A process according to claim 3 wherein the preparation is carried out in the presence of a Lewis acid.
- 23. (Previously presented) A process according to claim 27 wherein the biindole is a 2.2' biindole.
- 24. (Previously presented) A process according to claim 27 wherein a Lewis acid is employed.
- 25. (Canceled)

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Claim 26. (Previously presented) A process for the preparation of furanosylated indolocarbazoles by reacting an indolocarbazole having the ring structure

with an acetal having the structure

$$R - X$$
 $Q - X - R$ $Q - X$ $Q -$

wherein X is O, under conditions that promote acetal exchange or formation to produce a furanosylated product having the ring structure

wherein R is selected from the group consisting of:

hydrogen;

CH3;

OCH3;

3.4-DMB:

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PMB:

Bn;

t-Bu;

saturated or unsaturated, branched, linear, or cyclic alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl, and heteroaryl groups; and mixtures of the foregoing, wherein hetero refers to O, S, N, or P.

Claim 27. (Previously presented) A process for the preparation of furanosylated indolocarbazoles comprising:

reacting a diazo compound having the ring structure

with a biindole having the ring structure

in the presence of a transition metal catalyst in a solvent capable of solvating the reactants, to produce an indolocarbazole having the ring structure

and then reacting the indolocarbazole with an acetal having the structure

$$R - X$$
 $X - R$ $R - X$ $R -$

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wherein X is O;

to produce a furanosylated product having the ring structure

wherein R is selected from the group consisting of:

hydrogen;

CH3;

OCH3;

3,4-DMB;

PMB;

ßn;

t-Bu;

saturated or unsaturated, branched, linear, or cyclic alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl, and heteroaryl groups; and mixtures of the foregoing, wherein hetero refers to O, S, N, or P.